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For: **METHOD FOR ESTABLISHING A VIRTUAL HARD DRIVE FOR AN EMULATED COMPUTER SYSTEM RUNNING ON A HOST COMPUTER SYSTEM**

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Applicant-Initiated Interview Summary

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Interview Type: ☐ Personal ☒ Telephonic ☐ Electronic Mail ☐ Video Conference ☐ Other:

Participants:

From PTO: (Include Name and Title)

1. Leslie Wong, Examiner
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☐ An exhibit or demonstration was included and is described below:

The claims discussed included: Claim 1

The ☒art ☐prior art discussed included:

U.S. Patent No. 5,764,903 ("Yu"), as cited in the November, 10, Office Action.

An agreement ☒was ☐was not reached.

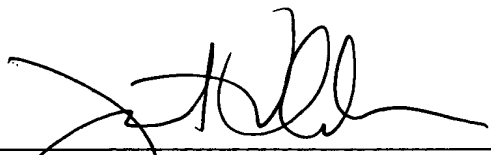
☐It was agreed that the attached claims are allowable (as described more fully in the 1.116 Amendment provided herewith).

☐It was agreed that the attached amendment would be entered (as described in the 1.116 Amendment).

☒The interview is summarized below.

Applicants and Examiner discussed the cited Yu patent. Applicants described the Yu patent to the Examiner and further explained that Yu disclosed a virtual disk driver, not a virtual hard drive as claimed. Examiner was persuaded by Applicants' arguments and stated that she would perform a new search of the prior art for the next Office Action.

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